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SUBJ: ALLEGED PAYMENTS BY METAL TRADERS INC.

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1. EMBASSY IS FAMILIAR WITH CHURQUINI ENTERPRISES, INC. COMPANY IS OWNED BY MERRILL LYNCH AND CO. AND THE KAY CORPORATION (NEW YORK) POSSIBLY THROUGH METAL TRADERS INC. PRESIDENT IS WALTER ARAMAYO RIVERA. CHURQUINI PRODUCED 746 METRIC TONS OF ANTIMONY FROM SEVERAL MINES IN 1976 AND WE UNDERSTAND IT ALSO BUYS ANTIMONY FROM BANCO MINERO AND EMPRESA MINERA SAN JUAN. 1976 SALES AND EXPORTS WERE 24.1 MILLION PESOS BOLIVIANOS (APPROX 1.2 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS)

2. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL. BOLIVIAN PRESS HAS NOT, AS OF APRIL 28, MADE ANY REFERENCE TO CHARGES OR PUBLISHED ANY MATERIAL REFERRING TO COMPANY. STEDMAN

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